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PERSONAL HISTORIES OF THE PROBATIONERS OF A NEW GROUP (1944)

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[Two-part message complete]

[Part I] To VIKTOR[i].

The probationers[STAZHERY] of the new group have given the following personal histories of themselves:

1. "TED"[ii], an old FELLOW COUNTRYMAN[ZEMLYAK][iii], capable, reliable, works in the Civilian Allocation Division of the DEPOT[DEPO][iv].
2. "KANT"[v] became a FELLOW COUNTRYMAN a long time ago, being [8 groups unrecovered], works in the Machine Tool Division of the DEPOT.
3. "RAIDER[REJDER]"[vi], an old FELLOW COUNTRYMAN, reliable, capable; works in the Aeroplane Allocation Division of the DEPOT [4 groups unrecovered] ARENA[vii] through [8 groups unrecovered] STORM [SHTORM)][viii].

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4. [B¹ PLUMB [LOT]][ix], an old FELLOW COUNTRYMAN, reliable, works on the KILGO...[x] Committee

[62 groups unrecoverable]

ARENA's apartment.

[64 groups unrecovered]

Donald WHEELER "IZRA"[xi], has been a FELLOW COUNTRYMAN for several years, [B¹ a Trade-Union] official, capable, works in the Labor Division Research and Analysis Branch of IZBA[xii]

[6 groups unrecovered]

[Part II]

[31 groups unrecovered]

he did not[a] maintain contact with

[53 groups unrecovered]

about this group from SOUND [ZVUK][xiii] [3 groups unrecovered] material on them.) CHAR...[xiv].

[39 groups unrecoverable]

. (He is everywhere in

[14 groups unrecovered]

For this purpose the Trade Unions [8 groups unrecovered] Trade Unions, working class and [C¹ progressive] contacts of the local FELLOW COUNTRYMEN.

[9 groups unrecovered]

[B¹ He] maintains a close friendship with MUSE[MUZA][xv] and has repeatedly tried to marry her. He is a close friend of [B¹ SLAN[G] [B¹ SLEN[G]]][xvi] [3 groups unrecoverable] and often comes to TYRE[TIR][xvii] with her([b] SLANG[SENG] has spoken very well of him). Harold GLASER[xviii] an old FELLOW COUNTRYMAN. Temporarily abroad (evidently STORM knew him well). Concerning the remaining members of the group we will advise later.

MAYOR[MER][o][xix]

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- Notes:
- [a] The original suggests that this clause was introduced by some such phrase as "if" or "provided that".
 - [b] Inserted by the translator.
 - [c] The signature, sent at the end of Part I in accordance with normal practice, was sent as MAJ, but was corrected in a service footnote at the end of Part II to MER.

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- Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P. M. FITIN.
- [ii] TED: Probably Edward Joseph FITZGERALD.
- [iii] FELLOW COUNTRYMAN: Member of the Communist Party.
- [iv] DEPOT: War Production Board.
- [v] KANT: Harry Samuel MAGDOFF.
- [vi] RAIDER: Victor PERLO.
- [vii] ARENA: Probably Mary Wolfe PRICE.
- [viii] STORM: Unidentified ~~cover name~~
- [ix] PLUMB: Possibly Charles KRAMER.
- [x] KIILGO: Senator KILGORE was Chairman of the War Mobilisation Sub-Committee of the U.S. Senate Military Affairs Committee.
- [xi] IZRA: Also mentioned in MOSCOW's No. 954 of 20th September 44 (3/NBF/T4088), NEW YORK's 582 of 28th April 44 and 1244 of 31st August 44 (not published) and NEW YORK's 1325 of 15th September 44 (3/NBF/T21) and 1389 of 1st October 44 (3/NBF/T96).
Donald WHEELER
- [xii] IZBA: Office of Strategic Services.
- [xiii] SOUND: Jacob GOLOS.
- [xiv] CHAR...: Unidentified. May be a cover-name or a real name.
- [xv] MUSE: Unidentified cover-name.
- [xvi] SLANG: Jane ZLATOVSKY.
- [xvii] TYRE: NEW YORK, N.Y.
- [xviii] Harold GLASER: Harold GLASSER.
- [xix] MAYOR: Possibly Iskhak Abdulovich AKHMEROV.

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